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SECOND DRAMATIC EVENING ON FRIDAY LAST

'VARSITY THESPIANS PRESENT TWO SHORT PLAYS.

On Friday evening, February 7th, the Dramatic Society presented two short plays to an audience which filled convocation Hall.

The first, one of Sir James M. Barrie's "Half Hours," was a charming play entitled, "Rosalind." Miss Edna Tharp took the part of Mrs. Page in which she displayed a pleasing stage presence. Miss Lillian Cobb who has up to the present been an associate member of the Society acted the part of Dame Quickly while Roland Michener was Charles Roche, who upon a June afternoon, while on a walking tour happened to stop at the home of Dame Quickly to enquire his way to the station.

When Dame Quickly left the room he discovered asleep on a lounge, Mrs. Page, in whom he recognized a resemblance to an actress friend of his who was then supposed to be in Monte Carlo. He learned the new acquaintance was not Mrs. Page, the mother of the actress, but Rosalind, the actress herself, who instead of really going to Monte Carlo had at the next station taken a train for this out-of-the-way spot on the English coast. Here she had come, as Mrs. Page, fair, fat and forty, leaving her work, for a rest and to become acquainted with her real self. However, on being found out, Rosalind went back to the old life as the fiancée of Charles.

"The Stepmother," by Arnold Bennett, was also presented. Miss Victoria Allen as Mrs. Trout, a popular novelist played her part credibly. Sidney Scott as Adrian Prout, her stepson and Alan Harvey, as Thomas Gardner, a doctor, were suited to their parts. Miss Grace Stewart acted well as Christine Feversham, Mrs. Prout's secretary. Mrs. Prout, an eminent writer and inclined to be hysterical had turned out her stepson because she feared the loss of the services of her secretary with whom he was in love. Mrs. Prout was very perturbed over the adverse criticism in the 'Forum' on her book 'Medicine in Fiction,' and suspecting that Dr. Gardner wrote it she left word with her secretary that her final answer to him was "No" with a capital "N". Discoursing on the matter with the Doctor when he called for his answer that morning, Christine learned that he would soon be made "either a happy man or he would die." To avoid the latter she gave the "message", Yes with a capital "N," where upon the gentleman went away happy. Adrian Prout, having dropped his medical course for journalism came to call on Mrs. Prout in an official capacity. This lady finding that her stepson had written the article in "The Forum," "seemed rather pleased than otherwise." For committing the secretarial sin of spelling a one syllable word wrongly, Mrs. Prout dismissed Miss Feversham. But she consented to the marriage of the two young people; and promised them an allowance of five hundred pounds a year. Thus closed a happy scene in Mrs. Prout's flat, in London. Though both plays went off well, it was noticed that occasional lines were left for the imagination to supply. The orchestra assisted at intervals during the evening. We were happy to welcome several members of the Legislature and many other friends.

A PRAIRIE TEACHER'S PROGRESS

BEING A RESPONSE TO THE CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS
OF TWO WEEKS AGO.

The little school teacher is ready for the road. She has been bundled up in a fearsome and wonderful way, for the thermometer registers thirty-five degrees below zero and there is a strong north wind blowing.

Her saddle horse Darby is led to the door, shivering from the drink of cold water he has just finished. A sack is tied behind the saddle and in one end of it reposes Darby's dinner of oats. Into the other end is thrust a mysterious knobby parcel wrapped in layers of newspaper to protect it from the frost. It is the little school teacher's lunch and thus is Darby balanced on either side in true John Gilpin style.

The little school teacher swings herself into the saddle and off they go. For the first half mile Darby behaves very badly. He hunches himself up with the cold and canters in a stiff, choppy way. When his mistress touches him with the quirt he is quite outraged, squeals wickedly and kicks out with both heels. But after a while he gets warmed up and settles into the long swinging lope of the prairie cayuse, giving his rider time to look about her.

Far to the West she can see the barrier foothills with the jagged tops of the mountains peering over. But all the rest of the world is prairie, level, cold and white. She sees it every day but she can never quite overcome her awe of this shining expanse of whiteness. The tiny homes of the prairie dwellers merely accentuate the cold purity of it all, like little dark flaws on the marble floor of a temple.

When a speck of whiteness suddenly separates itself from the rest and flaps away in the form of a snowy Northern Owl, Darby is quite startled, jumps to the other side of the trail and stands stock still with head erect and eyes protruding. His mistress pats his neck reassuringly and he is persuaded to go on again, but he shakes his head as much as to say "I suppose it is all right if you say so, but my word, what a start it gave me!"

The cold wind has begun to find the weak points in the little school teacher's motley but cunningly contrived armor. But she is not in the least daunted. She takes her feet from the stirrups, draws Darby up to a trot and jogs along codger fashion till the blood goes pounding through her body.

She is within half a mile of the school now. She can see the smoke rising above the red roof and she knows there is a warm fire awaiting her. But this last half mile is the hardest of all, for the trail takes an abrupt turn and runs straight north. She wraps the reins around the saddle horn, thrusts her hands into her pockets and pulls her blue scarf completely over her face. Darby is prepared for his role and breaks into a swift gallop.

Faster and faster they fly till she cannot feel the motion of the horse's legs but seems to be skimming the ground like a bird. The wind makes a roaring noise in her ears. She imagines herself the storm king riding on the blast and then laughs to think what a bulky little storm king she would make. The world is white no longer but blue through the scarf across her eyes. Her eyelashes are frozen to her cheeks and one ear has suddenly stopped tingling.

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THE GATEWAIL

OUR SLOGAN:
"THE PRINCE OF WAILS."

ALL OF WHICH MUST BE
MOST ENCOURAGING TO
GEN. HAIG.

One of our returned boys (speaking of those of our number who have been unfortunate enough to have received commissions). "You should make no distinction between officers and privates in sending parcels, for after all an officer is a man."

Sch-ll, who received such favorable mention in this col. in our last drops a line to the effect that we were somewhat astray as regards his game, it being far removed from bridge. His nickname is "Ante" not "Anti". For which correction we also thank Steve Brodie, Bill McKinney, "Two Freshettes" and others.

FOR SHAME. AND THIS A PROHIBITION COUNTRY

"And Mr. John Dewar supported the groom." — Morning Bulletin. A prop more spirituous than spiritual.

Dear Clarence:

If the Collegium Agricolarum the Med. Trust, the Y.M.C.A. and the local branch of the Bolsheviks are coteries, what is the Wauaneita Society? Thanking you in advance.

H. Y. Perbole.

Dear Hy.

We know not, unless perchance they might be classed as a petticoterie. Don't mention it.

Q. C. T. K.

Dear Clarence:

What, in your opinion is the most fitting time in which to clean the furnace.

Ettie Kett.

Dear Ettie:

To us there can be but one proper day, Ash Wednesday.

As one of our best-loved and most adipose resident hamactors remarked, when they handed him a costume with a thirty inch waist measurement, "It was nearly necessary to get a transfer to go round the belt-line."

The w.k. Sunset Sign Co., in announcing the programme of the Dramatic Society for Friday last, billed it as "Rosalind and Her Stepmother." Those who came expecting a good old family jar were grievously disappointed.

Among those who were observed on that fateful evening

were "Co." Kane, our local do-pest, and a bevy of feminine supporters. As "Chub" Carswell remarked, he probably did it solely for the purpose of getting his name in this colyum again, so here's how.

And they do say that, if good looks enable one to catch the speaker's eye, the nurse will always have the floor. You can depend on the good taste of the boys A. T. F.

I thank you.

CLARENCE.

Y.M.C.A.

Captain H. A. Pearson, supervisor of the military work of the Y.M.C.A. for Alberta and British Columbia, was the speaker at the University Service on February 10th. The subject was 'Hope' and the story was told how Britain and her Allies had passed from the unpreparedness of pre-war days, and had met and overcome one after another the problems imposed upon them by the ruthlessness of Germany. The contrast between the first months of the war, when everything was short, when artillery, ammunition, aeroplanes and men were inadequate to the demands, and the position today, following the organization of industry and man power—this contrast was pointed out by the speaker, who reasoned that from such a spirit shown by the people—the spirit of self sacrifice — victory would ultimately come. The problems of the future, however, were even greater than those of the past. The loss of the best of the young men—men who would have been the leaders in the affairs of the country—left a gap that would be seen in all Canadian life, and it would need a new individual devotion by each one remaining to carry on. Captain Pearson expressed his belief that the example of these men would not be lost, and that the lives of the men who would not return, would be a great inspiration to the Canadian nation for all time to come.

The soloist was Miss Margaret Gold, '18, who rendered 'O Rest in the Lord' from Elijah, and added much to the beauty of the musical service.

The Countess of the Chateau: "May we have the pleasure of your company this evening to dinner, Colonel?"

"Company, Madam, Company! I command a Field Ambulance!"

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

We are in receipt of the following communication from one of our most esteemed contributors. He evidently felt that his article on "Taking Notes," which was given a front-page position by us, was hardly worthy of a front-page place and price, but should be reassured by the findings of the committee.

Dear Mr. Editor,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of check for \$75.00 in payment for article entitled "Taking Notes" which appeared on the front page of last week's issue. The moment I displayed the check and your kind letter I had a host of callers and admirers. Mr. Sandin offered me a bite of his apple; the laundryman said he would give me a liberal discount if I paid up, and even the newsboy repented of his ways and is leaving the paper once more. One of the girls humorously remarked that for \$4.00 two seats could be obtained to hear Godowsky. I thought the last a splendid way of renewing an acquaintance that had been suddenly dropped, because of N.S.F.

There seemed to have been some doubt as to the integrity of the article and in order to remove that a committee consisting of Mr. McKinney and five of the young ladies called upon some of our prominent people and they gave their opinions as follows:

Dr. A. "Easily the best article of the year."

Dr. B. "My new book forms the sequel; buy it."

Nellie McClung. "Rivalled but not surpassed."

One of the Girls. "Not up to the level of his correspondence."

C. Hosford. "As good a cellar as we have in the basement."

Mr. Ogilvie. "Can't give an opinion for two years."

Mr. Facey, author of 'Cut it out.' "Makes me regret that I did not take an Arts Course."

The Bulletin. "The College has produced an H. G. Wells."

The Bursar. "We accept the article in lieu of board."

Editor. "It will either inspire others to still greater effort or discourage them in their writing."

W. F. Gillespie. "Could write as well myself if I had the time and ideas."

Sinclair. "My book on 'The cruelty of dehorning hydraulic rams' has been overshadowed."

Dr. L. "Laughed for the first time in my life."

Author himself: "Remuneration insufficient."

Yours truly,
A. E. H.

Dear Editor:

Permit me to discuss briefly a condition existing in residence and to offer a possible remedy for this condition.

There are many resident men who have not been introduced more than three at most, of the women students. Some of these men are in their second year.

If a man has been introduced and wishes to make an appointment, he must stand in the lounge in such a place that he may attract the attention of the women as they flock through the lounge on their way up stairs from the dining room.

Perchance some one of the ten members of his table group has dallied with his eating and the man finds that the women have already gone upstairs when he gets out. He must then fall back on the telephone and in an open corridor at a time when the phone is usually busy and when even if it is not, the corridor is so crowded as to make conversation by phone very difficult he must do the best he can.

The lounge which is the logical meeting place is being sadly neglected. Three nights a week are given to the men and three to the women, and all of the opposite sex are barred each night. Why not allow two evenings each week for men and women in common? The chief difficulty of the committee arranging for reception would be almost wiped out and indirectly this would have an important bearing on the proposed "Dutch treat" system for social functions.

W. M. F.

BY GUM!

With the Usual to Walt Mason.

There is a girl in Survey Class who chews and chews her gum; she chews it all the hour long, until her jaws are numb. No matter on what day it is, she always has it there; if she would but forget it once, I'm sure no one would care. I feel that I must gaze at her, I cannot look away, and when I'm asked a question, I just flunk it every day. For when my thoughts have wandered up until they get quite high, I see her moving face again, they tumble from on high! And even if I do not see, I hear her all the same, I know that I'll not pass the course, and feel that she's to blame.

—Minnehaha.



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EDITORIALS

With this issue of the Gateway publication will be suspended until after tests. Another number will be issued on or about the first week of March and the annual graduation number in April, making up the complement of sixteen issues for the term.

It has been called to our attention that the conduct of certain of our members in a city restaurant after a recent hockey game was not such as to reflect credit on this institution. It is to be hoped that such an occurrence may not take place again and that hereafter these persons will realise that the good name of the University is at the mercy of every one of its students and that one thoughtless or inconsiderate act may cause unfavorable comment for which no amount of future discretion can altogether atone.

It was with a genuine sense of personal loss that thousands of Canadians read, a few days since, of the death of Lt.-Col. McCrae. His "In Flanders Fields" is one of the most widely-quoted and perhaps the loveliest of the few pieces of real verse occasioned by the war and should win for him a permanent place in the hearts and memories of the English-speaking people.

CHRONIC DISBELIEVERS

There are individuals who accept the opinions of others without weighing them in their own minds. These persons are called intellectual parasites. Then there are individuals who religiously disbelieve anything which comes from others, in an attempt to be original. Between these two sorts of individual, there is the person who adopts from his contact with others such items as seem to be good and discards the chaff. This is the kind of person we like.

Of the two extremes, the intellectual parasite is to be preferred to the man who stubbornly refuses to accept anything which does not originate within his own think tank. To the latter a college education can mean little, for the ideas of professors cannot be transmitted to him; he sheds them like a duck sheds water. He ends his college course a high school man instead of a college man. He has thrown away four years of his life.

Truly original persons are rare. The wise man is the man who can cull the ideas of his associates and unify the adopted ideas for practical use. We can see no great objection to the taking of a master for a model. We must, however, be sure that our model is really a master before we begin placing too much confidence in his acts and opinions.

To copy all from your associates is to be a parrot or a parasite; to copy nothing is to be a fool; to copy judiciously is to be a wise man.

—Daily Iowan.

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WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

University of Alberta Soldiers' Comforts Club
to theStaff and Students who have enlisted for Overseas Service.
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P.P.C.L.I., B.E.F.Pte H. F. Drew (A '18)
No. 4 M.M.G. Can. B.E.F.

(Continued from last week):—

Here is an address that will find "Tommy" Wilson, who also looks down upon me from the picture of the "1914" Rugby Champions: Lieut. T. J. Wilson, Pilot R.F.C., c-o Mr. Wilde, Ballaugh, Woodhouse Road, North Finchley, London, N 12. By the way, the brother of the Big Boss, who controls the Editorial policy of this g.f.j. is now a cadet in the R.F.C. and reports P. M. Sangster (Sci. '21) (who tried to get in with the first 78th Depot Battery bunch and having failed, had a short sojourn with the 196th draft, until the doctor made the final overhauling) as in No. 2 Cadet Wing, R.F.C., Camp Mohawk, Ont. Sergts. Jack Fife and R. G. Douglas, were up last week on draft leave and together with Gunner W. F. Clark are now on their way to join the artillery at Witley, having just missed being quarantined in Calgary. E. W. Pilgrim, who captained our 1915 Rugby team, can be reached as Lieut. E. W. Pilgrim, Z Medium Battery, 4th Can. Div. Tr. Mortar Brig., B.E.F., whilst R. B. Williamson's address is now Pte. R. B. Williamson, No. 33371 "C" Co., 12th Platoon, 5th Bn. Royal Warwickshire Reg., B.E.F., Italy. So his worst forebodings have been realized and he is now a "foot slogging" infantryman. Let us hope the trip to Sunny Italy will compensate to some extent for the loss of that "cushy" seat at the steering wheel of the Mech. Transport.

This week's mail contains trench cards from J. R. Love (Jan. 7th) and W. S. Turner (Jan. 8th), both of which give the news "I am quite well," "I have received your parcel-Xmas." Letters from S. R. Laycock (Jan. 3rd); W. W. Rogers (Jan. 4th); E. Duncan (Jan. 4th); G. H. Hamilton (Jan. 6th); E. F. Kemp, (Jan. 7th); R. E. Westberg (Jan. 7th); C. Gibbs (Jan. 9th); H. M. Dawson (Jan. 14th); J. W. Lewis (Jan. 13th); J. R. Drysdale (Jan. 14th); G. W. Reeve (Jan. 17th); W. W. Moyle (Jan. 29th).

Sapper S. R. Laycock, Signals, 1st Can. Inf. Bde. Hdqs. reports himself as O.K. and outlines their Xmas dinner which I should judge was a really bright spot in their usual routine. Pte. E. Duncan of the 50th Bn. Signals sends in a most interesting account of some of the pill boxes which they took over from Fritz and used as signal bases. He notes that the Xmas parcel came to them when up the line and so he had a chance to try out the fuel sticks which he found worked satisfactorily. Gunner R. E. Westberg of the 8th C.G.A. states that they are once more with the Canadian Corps and that all's well with him. R.Q.M.S., C.L. Gibbs reports in from North Camp, Bramshott, which I believe now consists of the 15th Res. Bn. Lieut. G. E. Patterson writes in from the 49th and says in part: "I noticed kind references made to Van Petten in the last copy of the Gateway. His record with the 49th is enviable. It is men of his type who make the spirit of the Canadian Corps what it is. In him the

army lost a real soldier and gentleman. The University hadn't time to make a close acquaintance of young Dobry. While here he showed himself to be cheerful, enthusiastic and congenial with his fellows. His enthusiasm made him pay the price at Passchendale. The last he was heard say was something about "dying game."

Lieut. J. W. Lewis who, it will be remembered, was a member of the Pats, was wounded and later granted a commission in the Imperials with the Engineers, gives as his address Newhall Camp, Silkstone near Bamsley in York, although at the time of writing he was at the Royal Engineers Mounted Training Centre in Sheffield. He states: "I have been very busy since getting my commission. For the first three months at Silkstone I was assisting in field works, training men how to build wire entanglements, lay out and dig, fire and communication trenches, also tunnelling for Infantry subways and deep dugouts. I am now in charge of No. 3 Sec. of the R. E. M. T. C. I enjoy the work here greatly, in fact I am having the best time that I have yet had in the army, as riding horses is a pleasure to me. I expect my next course will be France or heavy bridging."

Pte. J. R. Drysdale of the 196th reinforcing draft, who went to the 50th after arrival in England and shortly afterwards was wounded, writes in from Spalding Hall, V.A.D. Hospital, Victoria Road, Hendon, London, N.W. 4 in part as follows: "I have been at the address at top of this page since Nov. 18th and am rapidly recovering from wounds received at Passchendale, on Oct. 26. I have been going about on crutches for about three weeks and have today received permission to walk on my foot." He suggests as an address: 50th Bn. (Casualty), Army P.O., London. This is a new idea to me in the way of addressing. I have often wondered how to address men whom I knew had been with units at the Front and been wounded.

I was pleased to hear from Lieut. G. W. Reeve of the 3rd Glos. Reg. as I seemed to have rather lost touch lately. He writes in part: "Since you last heard from me, I left hospital treatment and was attached to the Ministry of Munitions. Although an Arts man I was sent on a metallurgy course at Sheffield, a most interesting course under Dr. Arnold, a well known metallurgist over here. I passed with second position (the top man being a London M.Sc.) thanks to the good grounding at "ye up-to-date" University of Alberta. A Medical Board however, stopped my new career by sending me here for further hospital treatment. It is most trying as the M.O. here says that no further treatment will do me any good and I should have been left with the Ministry. I am now waiting to be recalled and I hope sent to Norwich to study aeroplane work. The "smash" on the Somme in July '16 has left my right leg rather rocky and the M. Boards don't think I shall be fit again for G.S. and that is why I am endeavouring to do something useful at the Ministry of Munitions."

W. D. Moyle, formerly of the Pats, is still in New York, his address being 20 West, 125 st. Our recent recruits in the Fliers have been moved from Toronto and are now with No. 2 Cadet Wing, Camp Mohawk, Deseronto, Ont. Under date of Feb. 4th, the Medicine Hat News states that Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Becker had received word from their son, Flight Lieut. Clair Becker that he had been invalided home from Malta and was on a hospital ship which was torpedoed in the Mediterranean and underwent rather an exciting time, the vessel going down almost immediately, several of the life boats upsetting and there being a considerable loss of life. Lieut. Becker is now in the Royal Naval Hospital in England. A letter received recently from Geo. Robinson (B.Sc in Arts '15 and Lect. in Math.) would seem to indicate that he is now teaching in the Khaki University—Epsom classroom.

As Dr. Alexander is a Rotarian and they are rotating in Convention this week, I find that there is still space available and so will acknowledge letters received on Monday. These were from W. McKenzie (Jan. 7th); A. H. Erswell (Jan. 12th); C. H. Tookey (Jan. 13th); A. D. Cowper; L. B. Brown (Jan. 14th); W. H. Draper (Jan. 17th); S. Smith (Jan. 17th); K. G. Bailey (Jan. 18th); G. Hoover (Jan. 19th); T. W. McBain (Jan. 20th).

Lieut. McKenzie's letter being really to the Wauneita
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COMING EVENTS.

Friday, Feb. 15th, 8 p.m.—
The Hayden Morris Choir at the
Convalescent Home.

Sunday, Feb. 17th. Universi-
ty Service. Capt. the Rev. Robt
Pearson, M.L.A., will speak.

Friday, Feb. 22nd, 8 p.m. —
Tom. Hughes' Premier Pierrots
at the Convalescent Home.

Sunday, Feb. 24th. Universi-
ty Service. Rev. C. W. McKin,
of Christ Church, will speak.

Friday, Mar. 1, 8.15 p.m. —
The Resident play.

Sunday, Mar. 3. University
Service. Major J. Lowery, M.-
L.A., '13, will speak.

Friday, Mar. 22nd. — Glee
Club Concert. The musical
event of the season.

PROBABLY.

Monday night
I met a model
In Greenwich village,
And she asked me
If I didn't like
Dr. Parkhurst's sermons.
Tuesday night
I met a Prom. girl
In a misguided moment,
And she asked me
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NEWS LETTER

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Society is naturally not subject to comment or extraction. Pte. A. H. Erswell of the 11th F. Amb. reports that Major Moshier is now Lt.-Col. Moshier and our hearty congratulations are hereby extended to himself, to the unit and to ourselves for the reflected glory, thereby given to the University. Another matter in which we share in a similar manner is the conferring of the Military Medal on Pte. E. D. Emery, of the 11th F. Amb., who is also one of "Ours." To this gentleman also we extend our felicitations.

A PRAIRIE TEACHER'S PROGRESS.

(Continued from page 1)

Now they are at the gate. Darby makes such a sharp turn that an uninitiated rider might have been deposited on the gate post. But the little school teacher rides triumphantly up to the school house door where Darby comes to a sudden halt, his four little hoofs planted all in a bunch.

The children come trooping out, eager to help her. She alights rather stiffly. Her limbs feel numb and as if not quite sure that they belonged to her. Some of the children escort her into the school. They quarrel as to who shall carry her lunch and who shall lead Darby to the stable. They busy themselves like brownies, removing her wraps, bringing her chair to the fire, and removing her clumsy felt boots.

The dingy old heater radiates a genial warmth and soon the long cold road over which she has come is nothing but a hazy memory. True it will have to be traversed again to-night, but meanwhile the day is hers. Eager childish faces will be uplifted to hers, eager childish minds will absorb all

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G. H. T.

ALBERTA COLLEGE

Not being a resident at Alberta College this year, I cannot claim to be a spring of knowledge as to its doings and gossip.

It has occurred to me though, that the men for whom this column is written might be interested in what people are thinking about now that the war has been going on for more than three years. I think I am quite safe in saying that they are thinking on the same old subjects, such as the easiest and most congenial method of making a living, gov't ownership of railways, gov't control as a working principle of economic life; the land settlement question and gov't loans to returned soldiers; problems of labor and the high cost of living; and not least the position of the Church in the life of the nation. There is the one special feature about all these questions, however, and that is how will the return of our soldiers affect what might be called the orthodox ideas on these subjects?

People generally are looking forward to a sort of millennium, or golden age when the war is over, and the soldiers return. Because of having passed through the ordeal of battle it is generally believed that soldiers have sloughed off all shams, prejudices and orthodox ideas. Reformers of all kinds are patiently heard, because they say that such and such is what the soldiers think, or what they desire, and therefore you might as well put it through at once. I only write this to let you know how dependent people have become in regulating their actions, not only upon the necessities of war-time, but also upon what the fighters themselves will think. There is no need therefore to ask you to keep the great national questions in mind.

Owing to the indefatigable efforts of Dr. Sheldon, the director of Military "Y" work in Edmonton, the Military Convalescent Home and the Great War Veteran's Association have been profiting by a series of addresses, discussions and debates, conducted by men prominent in their own line of work. Dean Howes of the faculty of Agriculture spoke about "The Men and Women of To-morrow," touching chiefly on the need for conserving and developing the forces in the lives of the boys and girls. Premier Stewart discussed the question of "Land Settlement," and went away with a clearer idea of what the men really wanted. "The Causes of Social

Unrest," and "Gov't Ownership of Railways" was debated under the chairmanship of Dr. Alexander. Many interesting points were brought out on these questions. Dr. Dyde too came one evening, as he said, "looking for information" especially as to what soldiers thought about Church union, and the feasibility and possibility of the churches finding a simpler, mutual basis on which to direct their activities. The opinion was advanced that no man could remain in a church either as a member or a student for its ministry unless he could subscribe absolutely to its body of doctrine and articles of faith, otherwise he would be leading a double life and prejudicing his own manhood. There was some division of opinion on this point, however, because it was maintained that a church must be reformed from within and that man's place was in some church so long as he believed in the great essentials. It was recognized though that the question of what the 'essentials' were was a large one.

I am quite sure that I can speak for the editor of this column in inviting any statement of opinion on a subject of general interest for publication in this column.

G. H. C.

TESTS

They prate to us of college years
When all the world is young and gay;

They never tell the hopes and fears

Of an examination day;
They never think of aching brows,
Of tragedies, perhaps that dwell
In a forgotten formula or inability
to spell

A simple word, a word, perchance,

We should have known, quite well.

I feel, sometimes, that I should like

To settle down, forgetting quite
That I am young; that song-birds
sing;

That after winter follows spring
Or any other pleasant thing;
Remembering only, chief of
pests,

Those awful tests; those awful tests.

"A saddened, wisened fresh."

Dr. Lehmann to P. S. B.

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